In Virginia

Demand for fire-cured down

By TOM CONRAD

Virginia Fire-Cured Tobacco Sales — The demand was generally weaker for Virginia fire-cured tobacco as sales resumed following the holiday break. While quality improved a little, lower grade prices resulted in a decline in the general average. According to the Federal-State Market News Service, cooperative receipts increased dramatically and volume of sales was the heaviest so far this season.

Gross sales follow:

Market	Week Ending January 29, 1981 Pounds	Average	Season Through January 29, 1981 Pounds	Average
Blackstone	266,750	$109.10	964,490	$121.48
Farmville	320,122	$111.93	1,095,231	125.34
Lynchburg	365,886	124.55	1,319,163	136.42
Total	952,758	$115.99	3,378,884	$128.56

The week's average of $115.99 was down $8.44 from the week ending December 18, 1980. During the same period (12 sales days) last season, 3,357,823 pounds had averaged $113.50 per hundred pounds.

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The majority of grade averages were down from previous levels. More desirable tobacco from the heavy and thin leaf groups lost mostly $3 to $9 but lower quality offerings dropped mainly $19 to $26 per hundred. Top average was $229 paid for C1F 46 with N2 the lowest at $27 per hundred.

Quality showed some improvement as less nondescript and lugs were sold while heavy leaf increased. Also, the ratio of good and fine quality wa sup while less tobacco graded low quality. Percentages by groups were: heavy leaf 16: thin leaf 50: lugs 19: nondescript 12: others totaled 3 percent. Medium brown and variegated colors combined made up over 60 percent of all sales.

Dark Tobacco Sales Cooperative receipts increased sharply this week as 158,304 pounds or 16.6 percent of sales placed under loan. So far this season, 177,554 pounds (5.3 percent) has been delivered to the Cooperative. During the same period last season, receipts totaled 329,108 pounds or 9.8 percent of gross sales.

Estimated production of Type 21 tobacco for 1980 remained at 4,000,000 pounds in the USDA Crop Reporting Board's January summary. Total fire-cured harvest in the United States is expected to be 35,986,000 pounds — up 1,536,000 from the previous estimate. This is a 20 percent decrease from 1979 with a drop in both acreage and yield accounting for the decline.

Marketing Quotas Announced For 1981-Crop Burley, Minor Tobaccos - The national marketing quotas for burley, and Virginia fire-cured and sun-cured tobaccos have been set by Secretary of Agriculture John Block.

The 661-million pound burley quota is 7½ percent above the 1980 quota, Block said. When adjustments for over and undermarketings are considered, effective farm quotas for 1981 burley are expected to total 860 million pounds, about 12 percent above last year.

Allotments for the other kinds of Virginia tobaccos are essentially the same as the 1980 allotments.

The 1981 acreage allotments are as follows:

KIND	1980	1981
Virginia fire-cured (type 21)	9,729	9,576
Virginia sun-cured (type 37)	1,377	1,335

Block said allotments will be reduced for some farms on which the tobacco acreage history in recent years has been less than 75 percent of the farm's allotment. Reductions are provided for in current legislation and bring farm allotments more in line with actual planting, Block said.

Notices showing the 1981-allotments for individual farms will be mailed soon to farm operators.

Phone workers strike

The Bargaining Committees of Continental Telephone of Virginia and Local 2275 of The Communication Workers of America have agreed to resume bargaining on Friday, February 6, 9:30 a.m. according to Frank Casazza, Assistant Vice-President-Personnel, Eastern Region.

In spite of the strike, which began Feb. 1, more than 30 percent of Continental's workers are on the job, Casazza said.

Negotiations began Jan. 6 and ended Feb. 1 after 30 hours of non-stop bargaining. The contracts for the Northern, Southern and Western areas of the state expired midnight Jan. 31.

Contract language is the biggest issue in dispute, according to Casazza.

"The issue is not wages or benefits," he said. "The Company's proposed package here is quite lucrative."

"When negotiations stopped, the Company had offered considerable wage increases, substantial improvements in pension and hospitalization plans and improvements in vacation schedules," Casazza said. "We had made movement in several areas involving contract language including job postings, union leaves of absence and work reporting locations."

About 165,000 of Continental's 200,000 customers in Virginia are in areas where the strike has occurred: Northern Virginia, including Prince William, Stafford, King George and parts of Loudoun and Spotsylvania Counties; Southside, including Southampton, Isle of Wight, and Greensville Counties and Princess Anne; Western Virginia, including Appomattox, Amherst and Harrisonburg.

Not affected by the strike is Continental's Eastern serving territory: The Counties of Caroline, Essex, Gloucester, King and Queen, Lancaster, Mathews, Northumberland, Richmond, Westmoreland; and portions of Hanover, King George, King William and Spotsylvania.

Locals to attend SS meet in Farmville

Members of Southern States Cooperative's local board and committee members, agricultural workers and retail agency managers will attend a regional board meeting in Farmville on February 18. The session will be held at Longwood College - Lankford Building and registration will begin at 9 a.m.

Also attending the meeting will be a number of guest young farmers from this area.

A total of 19 of these regional meetings will be held by Southern States over a five-state area. The cooperative serves farmer-members who live in Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and Kentucky and who hold a total of 354,552 memberships in the organization.

Expected to attend the meeting are: Ronald Coleman, Dan G. Coleman, co-managers of Coleman & Sons and local board members: Boyd Thompson - Lynchburg; Jimmy E. Tweedy, Concord; B.J. Lucado, Dennis W. Drinkard, Hunt P. Hamilton, Appomattox.

Wreck Island Extension Club votes to disband

By MRS. TILDEN LEE

On Tuesday, Jan. 20, 1981 it was a happy day for all Americans when word came that the hostages had been freed, and also that our new president, Ronald Reagan, had been inaugurated. This date marked the saddest day in 44½ years for members of the Wreck Island Extension Homemakers Club, when its members voted to disband.

We were informed that clubs that fail to meet state requirements would be cut off from the extension rolls. The club had an active membership of 15 members. In August 1980 over half of the members tried to no avail to meet the state requirements.

On January 20, 1981 a meeting was held and the club voted unanimously to disband and become a community organization so that their small neighborhood group could stay together and have fellowship. We were informed that by June 31, 1981 clubs had to intergrate or merge if we did not comply with the federal rules. Wreck Island Club was the oldest club and the first club organized in Appomattox County by Miss Ella Smith (Mrs. B. G. Anderson) home demonstration agent. The club was formed July 1, 1936.

The first meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Cary Carson, Sr. in July of 1936. There are 3 charter members remaining in the club, Mrs. Elsie Caldwell, Mrs. Tilden Lee, and Mrs. Elsie Thornhill.

The club met the third Wednesday of each month.

The Wreck Island Club members have actively participated in county, district and state events such as tours, workshops, District III Virginia Federation Clubs, meetings, and Family Resources Conference in Blacksburg and the Appomattox Historic Railroad Festival.

Members have exhibited at the Five County Fair, Farmville, Va. and the Virginia State Fair and County Contests winning a total of 883 ribbons and cash money for exhibits and educational booths.

In July 1971 Mrs. Tilden Lee was awarded the State Federation Award for the Best Feature Article at the Virginia Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs held at VPI and SU, Blacksburg, Va.

The club's past presidents were Mrs. Annie Caldwell, Miss Kate Davidson, Mrs. J. R. Horsley, Mrs. Ella Leitner, Mrs. Dixie Staten.

Miss Kate Davidson served as county chairman, 1944-1947, Mrs. J. L. Harrison served as county chairman 1961-61, Mrs. T. O. Davidson served as County Treasurer 1970-1971.

Mrs. Tilden Lee served as County Reporter in 1969 and served as County Secretary 1978-1980.

Members were active in community affairs. Annually they contributed to the Fireman's Carnival, also contributed to Special Olympics, to Central Va. Speech and Hearing Center, made kitty bags for the Red Cross and helped with the Bloodmobile. The sick in the community were remembered with cards and gifts.

Other projects of the club include many special interest workshops, taught by club president, Mrs. Dixie Staten.

Members have participated in refinishing furniture, food preservation, clothing, beaded ornaments, chair seat weaving, (one member reseated 22 chairs), silk roses, bread dough flowers, macrame and first aid.

The club observed its 35th anniversary in 1971 and observed its 40th anniversary in 1976.

We were looking forward to celebrating the 45th anniversary in July 1981, but will be cut off.

Mrs. Tilden Lee has joined the Country Lane Extension Homemakers Club in Appomattox. Her desire is to become a 50-year member of Extension Homemakers in 1986.

We are grateful for the opportunity that the extension service has provided for us.

Thoughts of our beloved club "Wreck Island Extension" to be no more often tie too deep for tears, but we are happy to be back together as a new club. (Name to be chosen).

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